

L. II. J. And the said Bill was read the 3^d time and past for Engrossing.

The house Adjournes till one a Clock in the afternoon.

Then the house being called over members were present as in the morning

Then the house proceeded to consider of the Amendm^{ts} proposed by the Upper house to the Bill ascertaining the Gauge & Tare of To^{bo} hogsheads, Whereupon the following Message was prepared & ordered to be entred as foll^o (Viz)

By the Lower house of Assembly
Aug^t 7th 1716

May it please your Hon^{rs}

The amendm^{ts} proposed by the Up^r House to the Bill ascertaining the Gauge & Tare of To^{bo} Hogsheads &c: of the 6th Instant have been read and considered and this House agrees to the 6 first proposed amendm^{ts} and also approves of the last clause you proposed in the said Intended Bill to disburthen the Several Branches of the Revenue intended to be raised any more than their Seperate proportions Save that in Regard the Treasurers Trouble in receiveing paying and accounting for the 3^d for arms &c: being not half what it is in other moneys he receives for the Publick's use, It is the opinion of this House that two and a half p Cent is a Sufficient Sallary for him out of the said 3^d

This house agrees that the Clk of the said Provinciall & the Severall County Clerks for the future shall once yearly (viz) the Clk of the Provincial under the penalty of 10th Current money and the County Clerks under the penalty of 5th Current money make out an account of all alienacōns ready to be delivered the Agent of the Lord Prop^{ry} when called for at the respective offices, As to the part of the R^t Hon^{ble} the Lord Guilford and the Lord Prop^{ry}'s letter you were pleased to Communicate to us, Wee hope that the advanceing the additionall 6^d p hh^d to my Lord Prop^{ry} in full of his land Rents and fines for alienations removes the necessity of Inserting in the Intended Act the Clause in the first paragraph of the part of the Lord's letter that was laid before us recomended, no Tobacco debts ariseing to the Lord Prop^{ry} for the future on account of the rents or alienations.

And as to the second paragraph of the said part, This house hopes your Hon^{rs} being very sensible of the many abuses Comitted by M^{rs} of Ships or Vessells that take in Tobacco on ffreight will concurr that limitting the time for returning prooffe